

# THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, *Boston*

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The American University was chartered in this city last week with the following list of corporators: Dr. Joseph Rodes Buchanan, Rev. William Bradley, Rev D. L. R. Libby, Professor R. F. Humiston, Stephen M. Allen, Nahum Capen, Professor C. W. Emerson, Augustus A. Rowe, James W. Cartwright, M. V. Lincoln, Dr. H. B. Storer, John Newell, Dr. R. C. Flower, Dr. David Thayer, Dr. O. H. Wellington.

The objects of the new university, which will soon issue its official announcement, are fully stated in its charter as follows:—

“The name by which the corporation shall be known is the American University, and the purpose for which the corporation is constituted is the establishment of an improved system of education for the development of the moral, intellectual, industrial and vital capacities and character of persons of all ages; the cultivation of science, art, literature and ethics by investigation and propagation of knowledge; and the preparation of pupils for all honorable vocations by education in the arts, sciences, skill and virtues to which the university is devoted, in accordance with the principles published by Dr. Joseph Rodes Buchanan and others, for the application and diffusion of which this university is established and designed to operate by departments or colleges, viz.: The College of Therapeutics, the College of General Culture, the College of Industry, and such other departments as its authorities may from time to time establish, each department being designed not only for culture and instruction, but for the diffusion of its principles and methods in the community by all suitable measures.”

The plan of the university appears to be essentially novel, as it proposes to give as much attention to the cultivation of the moral as of the intellectual faculties, and recognizes industrial education as an essential portion of all liberal education in accordance with the doctrines embodied in a volume entitled, “Moral Education,” recently issued by Dr. J. R. Buchanan, who has been chosen president of the university. Dr. Buchanan is well known as one of the founders of the American eclectic system of medicine at Cincinnati thirty-seven years ago, and author of the new “Science of Anthropology,” editor of Buchanan’s Journal of Man, etc. The endowments already pledged to the American University will ensure its going into operation as soon as the faculties can be organized.—*Boston Daily Globe, Dec. 27th.*

The principles of the University are illustrated in the following work:—

## MORAL EDUCATION: ITS LAWS AND METHODS.

BY

Dr. J. R. BUCHANAN, President of the American University, Boston.

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The following are a few of the spontaneous commendations of this work immediately following its publication:

“This is an important work on a most important subject. The importance of the book is indicated by the very significant fact that Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, the noted philanthropist of New York, has purchased half the edition for gratuitous distribution. Dr. Buchanan has set before himself the Herculean task of revolutionizing our entire system of education. . . . These points are enforced with unflagging energy, with great originality, and with elaborate but always pertinent illustration. We commend Dr. Buchanan’s book to our readers, and wish him success in the great work he has undertaken.”—*Boston Commonwealth.*

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"Great as have been the improvements made in educational matters during the past quarter of a century, they are small and inadequate compared to the system proposed by Dr. Buchanan."—*Hartford Times*.

"The wish which every lover of the human race must second, that this volume, with its high faith and noble enthusiasm for the good, the beautiful, and the true, may have the widest circulation and awaken a most effective response."—*Home Journal*, of New York.

"A copy of it should be in every household and on every teacher's desk. . . . A needed book, whose teachings would lift humanity out of darkness into light."—*Newmarket Advertiser*.

"The originality of this work is remarkable. It is one of those works which, like Bacon's 'Novum Organum' or Hahnemann's 'Organon,' compels us, if we accept it, to make a new departure from old methods and principles."—*Health Monthly*.

"The author displays learning and deep study of every branch of morals, and presents his knowledge in a convincing manner. The book is moreover extremely interesting even to the ignorant or superficial reader. The author proposes a broad and original plan of education, chiefly through the moral faculties, and his system as expounded in this work is sure of sympathy and followers among the true-hearted and intelligent."—*Boston Globe*.

Rev. WILLIAM BRADLEY, of Boston, says:—"The chapter on ventilation alone makes your book invaluable. No language can sufficiently commend it. Every family, all architects, builders, school committees, proprietors of halls, theatres, churches, school-houses, colleges and hospitals should have it. These are not the words of an enthusiastic convert, for your plan is based on rational principles, some of which I have studied, and to some extent understood and applied in the ventilation of my residence and in the church which we have just finished, and in which I officiate, but not so perfectly as we could and would have done had we had your book in time."

Rev. B. F. BARRETT, one of the most eminent writers of his church, says:—"We are perfectly charmed with your book. I regard it as by far the most valuable work on education ever published. You have herein formulated the very wisdom of heaven on the highest and most momentous of all themes. Your work is destined, in my judgment, to inaugurate a new era in popular education. It contains more and higher wisdom on the subject of which it treats than all the other books ever written on education."

Rev. Dr. W. P. STRICKLAND says:—"The book is a desideratum long wanted, and it seems to me every Christian and every man who has a shade of philanthropy ought not only to bid it Godspeed, but to pray and labor and give to plant these truths in the minds and hearts of the community. God bless the author! His great work will live when all bigoted opposers are forgotten."

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Gen. E. F. BULLARD says:—"It will do a great work towards emancipating the race from error and superstition and developing a higher humanity."

Pages might be filled with similar testimonials from enlightened teachers and friends of progress, who have received this volume with enthusiasm, the first edition being sold in three months. Being published by the author, copies may be obtained by addressing Dr. J. R. BUCHANAN, Boston, remitting the price, \$1.50, by postal order or registered letter. It may also be obtained in Boston from

A. WILLIAMS, cor. Washington and School Streets,

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